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Dr. Soblen is still alive; the British newspapers are whipping up sympathy for him, and levelling bitter accusations against the UK Government for the way in which the case has been handled.

I received a telegram this morning, ordering me back to Washington for consultation after the Commonwealth Prime Ministers Conference has dealt with the Common Market question.

In connection with my proposed Telstar conversation next week with Bill Fulbright, I had a message from him today as follows:

> "Regarding projected Telstar telephone call from Fulbright in Arkansas to you in London at 1145 hours Central Standard Time September 12, I propose to ask your view on following: present status efforts to get UK to relax import restrictions on Arkansas poultry; potential impact of Common Market on Arkansas exports of cotton and rice; prospects of demand by UK textile manufacturers for Arkansas cotton; impact of Exchange Program, particularly as it has increased European understanding of US.
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> FYI since inception of Exchange Program there have been 50694 Fulbrighters, 19507 from US, 31187 from abroad. Since 1960, 115 Arkansas Fulbrighters have gone abroad and about 100 foreign Fulbrighters to Arkansas. 24 living Rhodes scholars from Arkansas, 8 deceased."

I also had a long letter from Teddy White, who is at Fire Island, about the Monnet biography. Jean [redacted] spoke to me about this last week. Teddy is anxious for him to write an autobiography, and to spend a year doing so. I fear Monnet will not consent to give up so much time to this enterprise, but I think it is the wisest way to do it.

I took Henry Hunt to lunch at the Garrick Club, where we had--if I may judge from the after effects--some unsuitable oysters.

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